

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM DIRECTOR 2

The Tennessee Department of Health is seeking a Director for the Office of Minority Health and Disparities Elimination. This position has oversight for a broad range of programs that are charged with reducing health disparities and improving the overall health and well-being of racial and ethnic minority populations throughout Tennessee.

Responsibilities include:

- Provide executive level administrative, financial, and operational leadership
- Facilitate and advocate for the development of policies, programs and services that appropriately respond to the cultural and ethnic needs of racial and ethnic minority populations
- Provide oversight and guidance for grant programs offered by the Office including the State Partnership Grant to improve minority health; Public Health Partnering to Promote Primary Prevention with Minority Community Initiatives; and Partners in Faith and Health Initiatives
- Provide technical assistance and consultation to community-based and faith-based organizations for minority health and disparities elimination programs, services and initiatives
- Promote continuous improvement for disparities elimination through enabling cooperation and collaboration between minority communities and disparity populations with Tennessee Department of Health programs and services
- Prepare annual operational budgets, improvement requests, purchase requests, contracts and audit reports
- Maintain knowledge of community resources, including the organization of community health systems at the local, regional and state levels
- Collaborate with other Divisions, Offices, and Regional, County and Metropolitan Health Departments throughout the state to identify, assess and address health disparities
- Administer grants from the Minority Health Initiative Program, to include contract development, contract review, monitoring and evaluation
- Prepare and submit federal grant applications, requests for grant proposals, contracts and program reports

The ideal candidate will have:

- Strong focus and passion for improving health disparities
- Experience working with minority communities and population groups with health disparities
- Managerial and/or supervisory experience
- Master's degree and at least three years of public health experience is preferred

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

Graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree and experience equivalent to substantial (five or more years of) full-time increasingly responsible professional health program work including, at least, two years of full-time supervisory work; Additional graduate coursework in a business or health related field may be substituted, on a year-for-year basis, for one year of the required nonsupervisory experience; Additional qualifying professional experience may be substituted for the required education, on a year-for-year basis, to a maximum of four years.

This is an executive service position and interested applicants should send a resume to Bruce Behringer (Bruce.Behringer@tn.gov).

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